

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
PELICAN LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION
JUNE 23, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. by President Lud Lodholz. In attendance were Board Members Vice President Jean Roach, Treasurer Joy Herman, CBCW Coordinators Rhonda Bell and Gordon Bell, AIS-EWM Contact Dave Hardt, Dawn Duschel; and 39 members. Secretary Barb Groeger, and Board members Vicki Smith, Ann Clark, and Cathy Cyrs were not in attendance.

PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES

Minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting were made available and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was given and accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CBCW/AIS: Landing Monitor Report given by Rhonda Bell. Five paid employees and a few volunteers make up this program. Three landings are covered every weekend and all holidays to inspect incoming and outgoing boats and educate boaters on AIS in order to help protect the lake from invasive species.

CBCW GRANT UPDATE: The grant requires 200 hours manned, and \$4,000 per landing is allotted to pay monitors. 75% of this is funded by the State and 25% is in-kind work. There are 3 landings monitored. It was asked if Bob Mott would continue to write that grant (he was not present at the meeting), but it was noted that we were fortunate to have him. The Board will request that he write a grant for 2019.

AIS/EWM: Dave Hardt reported that Onterra had started their survey. To this date, Guth's Bay has been surveyed and no EWM or other AIS were found. Onterra will continue to survey the rest of the lake and then send a complete report. We did not require any hand-pulling of EWM last year and hope it will be the same this year. If hand-pulling is warranted, Aquatic Plant Management, LLC, is prepared to do it for us.

NATURAL SHORELINE RETENTION: Jean Roach shared that, aside from the CBCW monitoring program, creating or restoring a natural shoreline improves our lake health. Grass has shallow roots that cannot prevent the runoff into the lake. Native plants have deep roots that can prevent that by using/absorbing the runoff. Dave Hardt pointed out that there is a Healthy Lakes Grant that will pay 80% and the PLPOA has agreed to pay 10%, leaving the homeowner with only 10% of the cost to buy the plants for a natural shoreline. The model shoreline-restoration garden was cited as a source for examples of native plants for members to consider in restoring part of their property to a more natural state.

BUOY PLACEMENT

Paul Tomczak puts the buoys in and out in the spring and fall, per contracts with the two Townships. The Town of Schoepke pays this taking in/out for 26 buoys and the Town of Enterprise pays the taking in/out for 16 buoys. PLPOA agreed to pay to maintain them when the towns took over responsibility for putting them in and out. Many of the buoys needed extensive maintenance. Paul sourced the parts and was able to make the repairs at a cost of \$3,500. The PLPOA Board voted to allocate this large sum to ensure the buoys will stay in place and properly mark the danger spots throughout the open water season, without interruption for repairs. PLPOA further agreed to allocate \$500 per year for ongoing maintenance. If you see any floating or wayward buoys, contact Paul at 414-418-3567.

OTHER BUSINESS

NORTHWOODS CONNECT: Lud gave an update on the \$5,000 PLPOA donated towards matching a State grant in 2017 in order for Northwoods Connect to add towers and broadband service. It has been completed. One tower is located by the Pelcan Lake Fire Station and the other is located towards Post Lake. There was one member present who reported she had the service and was satisfied with it. (Northwoods Connect <https://www.northwoodsconnect.com> phone: 715-544-8025)

STATE BOAT LANDING: Lud reported that the north landing at the State Boat Landing remains closed. He has been in contact with the State DNR and has not received any answers from them. He will keep us informed.

FISHING REPORT: Fall Electroshock had 3 boats on the lake: 1 from Mole lake and 2 from the State. It confirmed that we have a healthy number of fish, with no lack of smaller fish for them to eat. As a result, Native Americans were allotted 1,257 Walleye and took 1,097; Musky allotment was 19 and they took 19. Interesting note: The entire state Musky allotment was 33.

SUMMERFEST: Jean noted that the 2018 Summerfest date was July 28, from 3pm to fireworks. Volunteers are still needed.

HIGHWAY CLEANUP: Jean wanted to thank Dan Miller and Jim Brust for organizing the Highway Cleanup. She encouraged people to volunteer to help with it next year. It was also suggested that walkers could carry a bag when taking a walk and keep the roads picked up.

NEW BUSINESS

RE-ELECTIONS: Rhonda Bell, Gordon Bell, Joy Herman, Lud Lodholz, and Dave Hardt were re-elected to the Board of Directors for another 2-year term.

PRESENTATION

NORTHWOODS WILDLIFE CENTER: located in Minocqua, open Monday through Saturday. Hours and days vary depending upon the time of year. It is a non-profit organization that treats and rehabilitates injured animals with the goal of returning them to the wild. They offer guided tours at their facility. They brought a couple "friends," a Wood Turtle and a Broad-Winged Hawk, for us to see firsthand the results of their rehab work.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Duschel